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SUBJECT: CIVAIR: IGS FUEL SHORTAGE

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1. WHEN MISOFF ASKED BRITISH MISSION OFFICER ABOUT AVIATION FUEL STOCKS IN BERLIN, LATTER RESPONDED THAT HE WAS UNDER INSTRUCTIONS NOT TO FURNISH DATA UNTIL AMERICANS COOPERATE ALONG LINES EARLIER BRITISH PROPOSAL FOR IGS RATIONALIZATION. (FRENCH MISSION WILLING COOPERATE IN GATHERING AND EVALUATING DATA.) BRITISH ASSUME PURPOSE OF OUR APPROACH IS TO DEVELOP BASIS FOR EVENTUAL ALLOCATION OF AVAILABLE FUEL. MISSION POINTED OUT TO BRITISH THAT PANAM RECENTLY APPROACHED BEA IN BERLIN SEEKING COOPERATIVE ACTION IN VIEW OF FUEL SHORTAGE AND BEA HAD NOT YET RESPONDED. BRITISH SAID PANAM PROPOSAL THAT BEA CUT TWO FRANKFURT FLIGHTS AND PANAM ONLY ONE WAS UNACCEPTABLE AND FURTHER CONSIDERATION OF PANAM INITIATIVE AWAITED RETURN TO BERLIN OF PANAM DIRECTOR RUNNETTE. PANAM SAYS FRANKFURT
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PROPOSAL WAS ONLY ONE OF SEVERAL AND, WHILE IT IS NOW MORE THAN

A DAY SINCE RUNNETTE'S RETURN, BEA HAS STILL NOT RESPONDED.

2. MEANWHILE MISSION HAS OBTAINED STOCK-LEVEL DATA
THROUGH COMMERCIAL SOURCES.

3. PANAM USES ESSO PRIMARILY(BUT BP IN HANNOVER AND
NUERNBERG) WHILE BEA USES BP PRIMARILY(BUT ESSO IN STUTTGART
AND BREMEN, AND PETROFINA IN DUESSELDORF). PANAM SAYS BP HAS
PUT CEILING ON DELIVERIES TO BOTH PANAM AND BEA EQUAL TO
"AVERAGE" DELIVERIES IN PAST. BEA HAS ADMITTED TO PANAM
THAT THEY HAVE NOW HAD TO START JUGGLING ALLOCATIONS TO
MEET THEIR NEEDS, AS PANAM HAS BEEN DOING FOR SEVERAL WEEKS.KLEIN

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